THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Tuesday, 18th December 1956.

The House met in the Assembly Chamber, Government Estate, Mount Road, at nine of the clock, the Deputy Speaker (SRI B. BHAKTHAVATSALU NAIDU) in the Chair.

I.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS.

Tamil research students in the Presidency College, Madras

* 358 *Q.*—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether Tamil research students are given classes by the Chief Professor or the additional Professor of Tamil in the Presidency College, Madras?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : No, Sir.

SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN : Even though the additional Professors are called upon to turn out additional work such as taking up research classes, they are not paid on a par with the additional Professors in English and other languages. Further, the number of additional Professors in Tamil is limited to one or two, whereas that for English and other languages is more. Will the Government come forward to give Tamil its rightful place by giving equal privileges to Tamil Professors at this stage of this country's progress?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : Even though this question does not arise out of the main question, I may assure the hon. Member and the House that all facilities are being given to Tamil. More prominence is being given to Tamil nowadays.

Expenditure incurred by the Alangudi Block Development Advisory Committee

* 359 *Q.*—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the expenditure incurred by the Alangudi Block Development Advisory Committee from its inception on travelling allowance and daily allowance, paid to its official and non-official members, out of the allotment made for the Committee for attending the meetings of the Committee?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : The expenditure incurred on the payment of Travelling Allowance and Daily Allowance to the non-official members of the Alangudi Block Advisory Committee is Rs. 469-8-0. The figures of expenditure in respect of official members are not available as they do not draw their Travelling Allowance and Daily Allowance exclusively for attending the meetings of the Block Advisory Committee.